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## SHORT COMMUNICATION

**More records of *Iassus scutellaris* (Fieber) (Hemiptera: Cicadellidae) in southern England.** – Alex Ramsay's recent note (Ramsay, 2006) prompted me to unearth some recent records of this attractive hopper, including Berkshire records which predate his from Reading. I first took it in Berkshire at Cow Common (SU4392) (modern Oxfordshire), on 23.vii.1998. It was also locally abundant on elm hedges in the lower Kennet valley close to Reading around Sheffield Bottom and Theale Lake (SU6469), and Burghfield Mill (SU6770) in vii–ix.2004. In Surrey it seems to be present on most of the good stands of elm that I have sampled (e.g. Hatchlands (TQ0651) 25.vii.2001, West End Esher Common (TQ1262) vi.2004, Effingham (TQ1057) 3.ix.2006). It would appear to be a quite mobile species as it occurs on quite isolated stands of elm, as on Canvey Island, South Essex (TQ7782), vii–ix.2006. In my experience the bulk of adults are all bright green, but specimens with a dark thorax are not uncommon and look very like the commoner *Iassus latio*, which is a problem in hedgerows with oak and elm mixed together. – Dr. JONTY DENTON, 29 Yarnhams Close, Four Marks, Hants, GU34 5DH.

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